

GALLATIN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MINUTES

Saturday, April, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

The April meeting of the Gallatin County Genealogical Society was held at the Bozeman Public Library in the large community room with 62 people present. Due to the large number of community members attending Ken Robison's presentation, President Bonnie Jackson postponed the business portion of the meeting until May, because there wasn't any pressing business. The door prize, a signed copy of one of Ken Robison's books, was won by a community member.

The program was *Yankees and Rebels on the Upper Missouri: Steamboats West in a Quest for Gold and Peace* by Ken Robison, who is an historian, preservationist, and chronicler of neglected Montana history. He is a native Montanan, historian at the Overholser Historical Research Center in Fort Benton, the Great Falls/Cascade County Historic Preservation Commission, and the Sun River Valley Historical Society. He is the author of five books including *Montana Territory and the Civil War: A Frontier Forged on the Battlefield* (2013), *Confederates in Montana Territory: In the Shadow of Price's Army* (2014), and *Life and Death on the Upper Missouri: The Frontier Sketches of Johnny Healy* (2013). His latest contributions are anthology chapters on racial relations and the black-owned Ozark Club in Great Falls, Montana and the Mullan Road as "A Harbinger of Change." His next book, *Yankees and Rebels on the Upper Missouri: Steamboats West in a Quest for Gold and Peace*, will come out this September 2016. Ken is a retired Navy Captain after a career in Naval Intelligence. The Montana Historical Society honored him as "Montana Heritage Keeper" in 2010.

The Gallatin County Genealogical Society will meet next at 11:00 am, Saturday, May 14, 2016, in the large community room at the Bozeman Public Library. Elections for the 2016-17 term will be held. Members will also share genealogical successes and failures.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Jackson
GCGS President